



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Maria KORDOWICZ et al.

Serial No. : 10/009,500

Examiner: Charles L. Patterson, Jr.

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Group Art Unit: 1652

Title : HYALURONIDASE FROM THE *HIRUDINARIA MALLINENSIS*,
ISOLATION, PURIFICATION AND RECOMBINANT METHOD OF
PRODUCTION

PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

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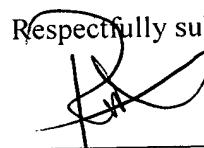
This is a petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.181(a) requesting withdrawal of the Examiner's holding of abandonment dated December 1, 2004. In response to the Notice of Abandonment, Applicants submit that a Response to the April 21, 2004 Office Action was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on August 23, 2004 along with a one-month extension of time and Exhibit 1. Also attached was a check in the amount of \$146.00. Apparently, this response was not received by the Examiner.

A copy of the Response, Extension of Time, Exhibit 1, Stamped Dated Postcard, and a copy of our docket page dated August 23, 2004 are attached hereto. These establish that a response was prepared and filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Accordingly, withdrawal of the holding of abandonment is requested.

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No fee is necessary. See, M.P.E.P. 711.03(C). Nonetheless, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,



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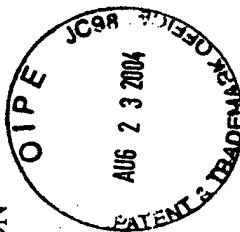
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